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Contract #: 04-0120F4Cty: SF/ALA Rte: 80 PM: 13.2/13.9File #: 1.28**WELDING INSPECTION REPORT****Resident Engineer:** Siegenthaler, Peter**Address:** 333 Burma Road**City:** Oakland, CA 94607**Report No:** WIR-017103**Date Inspected:** 30-Sep-2010**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 1000**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1830**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site**CWI Name:** See Below**CWI Present:** Yes No**Inspected CWI report:** Yes No N/A**Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No N/A**Electrode to specification:** Yes No N/A**Weld Procedures Followed:** Yes No N/A**Qualified Welders:** Yes No N/A**Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A**Approved Drawings:** Yes No N/A**Approved WPS:** Yes No N/A**Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A**Bridge No:** 34-0006**Component:** Orthotropic Box Girders**Summary of Items Observed:**

At the start of the shift the Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) traveled to the project site and observed the following work performed by American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises (AB/F) personnel at the locations noted below:

- A). Field Splice E6/E7
- B). Field Splice W6/W7
- C). Erection Access Hole, Insert Plate

A). Field Splice E6/E7

The QAI observed the excavations and the R2 repair welding of the areas marked as UT rejects on the Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) groove weld identified as WN: 6E-7E-A1. The excavations and welding of the repairs was performed by the welder Fred Kaddu ID-2188 utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) process and 4.0 mm electrode as per the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) identified as ABF-WPS-1000 Repair Rev. 2. The WPS was also used by the QC inspector, Tom Pasqualone as a reference to monitor and verify the Direct Current welding parameters. The welding parameters were verified by the QC inspector and observed by the QAI as 180 amps. The welding was performed in the flat position (1G) with the work positioned placed in an approximately horizontal plane and the weld metal deposited from the upper side. The minimum preheat temperature of 40 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius appeared to comply with the contract documents.

Also at the conclusion of the excavations the QC inspector, Mr. Pasqualone, performed the Magnetic Particle Test

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(MPT) of the excavated areas and no rejectable indications were noted. The application and evaluation of the MPT appeared to comply with the MPT procedure identified as SE-MT-CT-D1.5-101 Rev. 4.

Later in the shift, the QAI observed the removal of the backing bar on the weld joint identified as Weld Number (WN): 6E-7E-C1 and C2. The removal of the steel backing was performed by the welder Rory Hogan utilizing the plasma arc cutting method.

### B). Field Splice W6/W7

The QAI observed the excavations and the repair welding of the areas marked as UT rejects on the Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) groove weld identified as WN: 6W-7W-A5. The excavations and welding of the repairs was performed by the welder Mike Maday ID-3391 utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) process and 4.0 mm electrode as per the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) identified as ABF-WPS-1000 Repair Rev. 2. The WPS was also used by the QC inspector, Tom Pasqualone as a reference to monitor and verify the Direct Current welding parameters. The welding parameters were verified by the QC inspector and observed by the QAI as 180 amps. The welding was performed in the flat position (1G) with the work positioned placed in an approximately horizontal plane and the weld metal deposited from the upper side. The minimum preheat temperature of 40 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius appeared to comply with the contract documents. The weld repairs are in the R1 cycle.

Also at the conclusion of the excavations the QC inspector, Mr. Pasqualone, performed the Magnetic Particle Test (MPT) of the excavated areas and no rejectable indications were noted. The application and evaluation of the MPT appeared to comply with the MPT procedure identified as SE-MT-CT-D1.5-101 Rev. 4.

### C). Erection Access Hole, Insert Plate

The QAI observed the excavations and repair welding of the unacceptable discontinuities discovered during the Ultrasonic Testing (UT) performed by QC/UT technicians. The repair welding was performed on the erection access hole insert plate identified as Weld Number (WN): 1E-PP9.5-W3, Repair cycle R1, on the "A" deck of the Orthotropic Box Girder (OBG) E1. The welder, Jin Pei Wang ID-7299, performed the welding utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) as per the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) identified as ABF-WPS-D15-1001 Repair, Rev. 0. The WPS was also utilized by the QC inspectors Steve McConnell as a reference to monitor the welding and verify the Direct Current Electrode Positive (DCEP) welding parameters which was recorded as 135 amps by the QC inspector. The 3.2 mm Lincoln electrode was utilized with the welding performed in the flat (1G) position with the work placed in an approximately horizontal plane and the weld metal deposited from the upper side. The groove joint appeared to comply with the AWS joint designation identified as B-U4a. The minimum preheat temperature of 20 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius were verified by the QC inspector.

Later in the shift, the QAI observed the excavations and repair welding of the unacceptable discontinuities discovered during the Ultrasonic Testing (UT) performed by QC/UT technicians. The repair welding was performed on the erection access hole insert plate identified as Weld Number (WN): 1E-PP9.5-W1 and W2, Repair cycle R2, on the "A" deck of the Orthotropic Box Girder (OBG) E1. The welder, Darcel Jackson ID-9967, performed the welding utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) as per the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) identified as ABF-WPS-D15-1001 Repair, Rev. 0. The WPS was also utilized by the QC

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inspectors Steve McConnell as a reference to monitor the welding and verify the Direct Current Electrode Positive (DCEP) welding parameters which was recorded as 135 amps by the QC inspector. The 3.2 mm Lincoln electrode was utilized with the welding performed in the flat (1G) position with the work in an approximate horizontal plane and the weld metal deposited from the upper side. The groove joint appeared to comply with the AWS joint designation identified as B-U4a. The minimum preheat temperature of 20 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius were verified by the QC inspector.

The QC inspector, Mr. McConnell, also performed the Magnetic Particle Test (MPT) of the excavated areas and no rejectable indications were noted. The application and evaluation of the MPT appeared to comply with the MPT procedure identified as SE-MT-CT-D1.5-101 Rev. 4.

The QAI also observed the Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) of the erection access hole insert plate identified as Weld Number (WN): 1E-PP11-E4-W1 on the "A" deck of the Orthotropic Box Girder (OBG) E1. The welding was performed by the welder Wai Kitlai ID-2953 utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) as per the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) identified as ABF-WPS-D15-1110B, Rev. 1. The WPS was also utilized by the QC inspector John Pagliero as a reference to monitor the welding and verify the Direct Current Electrode Positive (DCEP) welding parameters which was recorded as 133 amps by the QC inspector. The 3.2 mm Lincoln electrode was utilized with the welding performed in the overhead (4G) position and the work placed in an approximately horizontal plane and the weld metal deposited from the underside. The groove joint appeared to comply with the AWS joint designation identified as B-U4a. The minimum preheat temperature of 20 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius were verified by the QC inspector.

Also, the QAI observed the QC technician, William Sherwood, perform the Magnetic Particle Testing (MPT) of the back grinding on the welding joint identified as WN: 1E-PP11-E4-W1. At the conclusion of the testing no rejectable indications were noted. The application and evaluation of the MPT appeared to comply with the MPT procedure identified as SE-MT-CT-D1.5-101 Rev. 4.

### QA Observation and Verification Summary

The QA inspector observed the QC activities and the welding of the field splices utilizing the WPS as noted above, which appeared to be posted at the weld station. The welding parameters and surface temperatures were verified by the QC inspector and utilizing a Fluke 337 clamp meter for the electrical welding parameters and a Fluke 63 IR Thermometer for verifying the preheat and interpass temperatures. The ESAB consumables utilized for the SMAW welding process appeared to comply with the AWS Specification and AWS Classification. The QC inspection, testing and welding performed on this shift appeared to be in general compliance with the contract documents. At random intervals, the QAI verified the QC inspection, testing, welding parameters and the surface temperatures utilizing various inspection equipment and gages which included a Fluke 337 Clamp Meter and Tempilstik Temperature indicators.

The digital photographs on page 4 of this report illustrate the work observed during this scheduled shift.

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### Summary of Conversations:

There were general conversations with Quality Control Inspector Bonifacio Daquinag, Jr. at the start of the shift regarding the location of American Bridge/Fluor welding, inspection and N.D.E. testing personnel scheduled for this shift.

### Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Mohammad Fatemi (916) 813-3677, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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Quality Assurance Inspector

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QA Reviewer